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1. AT THE CONSIDERABLE RISK OF BORING THE FEW REMAINING READERS OF MY MESSAGES ON THIS SUBJECT, I FEEL IT INCUMBENT ON ME TO ADVISE THE DEPARTMENT -- AGAIN -- THAT THE TIME TO ACT TO BETTER RELATIONS WITH ECUADOR AND TO SEEK TO RESOLVE OUR FISHING PROBLEM IS NOW.
 2. ON DECEMBER 10, 1973, ACTING SECRETARY RUSH RECOMMENDED THAT THE FMS SANCTION BE LIFTED. EVENTS SINCE THEN, AS REPORTED IN REFTELS AND ELSEWHERE, HAVE SERVED TO BUTTRESS THE ARGUMENTS ADVANCED IN THE ACTING SECRETARY'S MEMORANDUM AND TO UNDERSCORE THE NECESSITY OF ACTING NOW BEFORE THE MOMENT OF OPTIMUM ADVANTAGE IS PAST.
 3. I ACCORDINGLY URGE THE DEPARTMENT SEEK APPROVAL OF THE ACTING SECRETARY'S DECEMBER 10 RECOMMENDATION AND THAT I THEN BE PROMPTLY INSTRUCTED TO COMMUNICATE THIS DECISION TO PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ LARA TOGETHER WITH THE REQUEST HE AUTHORIZE INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS ON THE FISHING ISSUE.
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